Strong house on the Nile.

mly never less over a stranger craft the set place.
Therefore, December 26, boxing day.

Pantomime Always Pays,

son, but the pantomimes play to crowded houses. The greatest of them all is at the Drury Lane Theatre in London, where chaborate speciacular productions, neces-sitating several hundred performers of all ages, are presented every year. The forthcoming children's table select-The forthcoming children's table selected for Drury Lane representation is the story of 'Bine Beard,' but many liberties are taken with the plot, comedy being largely introduced. The honors are to be divided between Dan Lene, the favorite music half councilian, and Miss Revensberg, who plays the service role of 'Principal Boy.' All seats for both matince and evining performances on boxing day at the play of the principal Boy where are sold out weeks in ad-

S. M. WILLIAMS. | west.

CAUGUS SERVICES

IN PLAYHOUSES.

MOADER VIIWS OF RELIGION.

Captain Cook has been indisposed for some time, and his condition became so grave two weeks ago that his physicians Theatres Throughout the Country and Thrown Open. where he has been confined to his bed to Non-Churchgoers.

The American Society of Religious Edu o. un interdenominational move which has been carried on success of in inaugurate a series of latercolnational corvices, to be held in he becefit of the pon-sectorian manuer. The officers of the society are: Honvice, and his son, Surgeon Cook, of the Sinter Supreme Court, President; Rav. Dr. nd Hon. W. S. Shallenberger, Vice Presi-

To Be Carefully Managed.

The office of assistant secretary and general manager of the society has just is a new one called been tendered to Rev. George Buckler, is a new one called been tendered to Rev. George Buckler, and I'm Mr. Robb de paster of the McKinley Memorial Church, See York. He has who for the past five Sunday evenings has anducted a series of interdenominational and non-sectarian meetings at Chase's and the Columbia Theatres, and as an circy of the American Society of Re-

nunched. Buckler is of the opinion that the the is not far distant when every thea-ire throughout the length and breadth of the United States will be converted into a house of God on Sunday, where the gospel will be preached to the inchurched masses, who would not darken the doors of a church, but will attend interdenominstitual services at a theatre, especially when no admission is charged.

Preedom From Sectarian Bias. The object of the interdenominational

setings," said Mr. Buckler, "is to put ualde all hans and securianism, on the theory that we are all one in Christ Jesus, and, although Christians may have their own private opinions as to church denominations, they can meet on a broad-er ground for the salvation of the soul

nd the culffling of the human race.

From a spiritual point of view the ties of interdenominational services held here in Washington were highly sucarres to such productions as "Puss in Books." The "Puss Product The "Puss Product The "Puss Product The Puss Product The Product The Puss Prod I am highly encouraged, and believe the work, which is God's work, should be contould especially as the interdenominalocal movement has met with great favor n every hand.
The only drawback to the series of five

meetings already held was that the con-tr buttons did not equal the expenses. Mr. Buckler's New Charge.

"The services in the theatres are not held for the purpose of antagonizing the churches, as many suppose, but on the other hand are a recruiting office for the gospel army, and the churches of the city are invited to send two or more delegates to the meeting as a sort of steering com-mittee for the converts."
The initial service of the McKinley Me-

cital lloy." All seats for both mutines and morial Congregation, to which Rev. Mr. Swining performances on boxing day at Buckler has been called as pastor, will be held at 11 o'clock this morning at Schmidt's Hall, 516 Ninth Street northCARR COOK IN HOSPITAL.

Community of Schley's Flegship Now Under Doctor's Care.

Eapt. F. A. Cook, who commanded Admiral School's flagship, the Brooklyn, in the fight of Shittingo, and who was the strenger witness for his superior before the Court of Ecquiry, is seriously ill with stomach trouble at the Naval Hospital in this city.

The captain has always enjoyed the most robust health up to the period men-tioned, when there was a general kreak-ing down of the system. This is rather hard lines for a man of his active temper-

hard thees for a man of his active temper-ment, especially as he went through all the hardships of the wat and came out in the best condition.

While his present illness is of a seri-cus nature, the doctors maintain that it is not dangerous. He is being attended by Dr. Price, of the Marine Hospital Ser-vices and his son Surgeon Cook of the

and ours.

way there. Some hints:

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defriment of this country and it judgment, the result will be a more rious depression in England than as a inclined to believe. The time is upon when both masters and mea many a their backs to the mail and sace is it in true British spirit." Disappointed in Counds. But concerning Hardand's Ales colony (Canada) Sir Christophier was so pleased. "I was greatly disappointed. he said, "In the comparatively small in crease in Canadian population shown by the census returns. This must be largely

kinds. Through it Canada has gradually twen losing her young blood "The pounger generation is passing over the border and joining the United States. This is lameningly, for a yar con-vinced that there is an enormous future before Canada. I allosid like also to state that Canada deserves more attention and better support from the mother country. Miss Alice Nielsen, the American prima in an entirely different rais. After her opera scusen closed Man Nashen was par-ranteed by several English people of high

due to want of individual energy in the

development of natural resources and in

the establishment of manufactories of all

sacial and murical standing who declared that she had a grand voice needing only a little more cultivation. Therefore she went of to Italy, where she has been studying under the best musters. Now she is to reappear in rescarts, her first being on February II, in Queen's Hall, with Robert Newman's Onbesta. Mr. Newman is a kind of English Theodore Themas, save that he does not lead his own orthestra, but his concerts are the most noted in London. He has en-maged Miss Nielsen for a year to appear

only in symphony concerts.

Friends say that her value has wonder fully improved, and the audien transition of a comic opera star into a great cancert singer on the most cachestre platform in England is certain to attract much attention.

Kentucky Trotters in Favor.

Long-Littled American trotting harere coming rapidly into favor in London for the carriages of the most fashiounble people. Until a few months ago Sir Thomas Lipton was about the only man driving Kentucky tootters, but as his turnouts rarely appeared in the parks and Inshionable drives his fine horses at tracted by attention. Sir Thomas used his to cover the distance between his amborban residence and his city office every

marring at a clipping speed, and back again at night even faster.

Now, hewever, the latest sensation of light Fark is the opportunce of Mr. Light ser Fitspatrick, a swelety favories, driving every morning a team of American traiters attached to a smart light wagon.

He is rivated by the team of the latest a Mr. He is rivaled by the team driven by Mr. Frame, a promittent clubman, who has recoming taken great interest in things American, and our responsible for bring ing Sousa's Band to Eugland for its mit

seal and social triumble.

Mr. France secured his trotters from Southern Illinois, and says he will match them against any other gentleman's out of in town. Mr. Pittpatrick's horses came from California and Sir Thomas Lipton's from the Blue Grass region. All three

here neveral learns aplece.
The house of Madame de Palva in Paris
has again come into public notice by reasen of a proposal by the numerical goverement to buy it for use as a district mayor's office. All who have spent much time in Paris will repember the compact beause behind high iron railings on the bence behind high iron railings on the left side of the Avenue Champs Elyseen, pear to the Elyser Phince Hotel. Last year it was known as the Restaurant Cu-leat, the highest-priced eating place in Earoje, any it is empty and for asle.

Built by Napoleon III. The house was built by Napoleon III for Madame de Paiva, who was born the daughter of a poor tailor in Moscow, but after a cicarious life, became a favorite of the Emperor, and she ended her days ps the wife of a German diplomat. The stary goes that she chose the site of this house on the spot where years before she

and runk down in the street fainting from However that may be, it is certain that ne more beautiful bower existed outside the lattle Trianon. There was no limit to Here during the Third Empire, Ma-de Palva established a solon, where ical Hierary, and artistic celebrities

sa'e on fourth floor. \$1.35 - . \$1.30 value \$2 value.

and all shades.

